

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

EASEMENT

OMB Approved  
No. 1024-0009  
B-1744

REVIEW SHEET

Historic Preservation Certification Application—Significance

Property: 1001 CATHEDRAL ST., BALTIMORE, MARYLAND Project No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Historic District: MT. VERNON  
10-16-87 date initial application received by State \_\_\_\_\_ date(s) additional information requested by State  
10-16-87 date complete information received by State \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ date of this transmittal to NPS \_\_\_\_\_  
Inspection of property by State staff? ☒ no \_\_\_\_\_ yes date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

☒ There is adequate documentation enclosed to evaluate the historic character and integrity of this property.  
\_\_\_\_\_ There is insufficient documentation to evaluate the property adequately. The application is missing the following items:

Reasonable efforts have been made to obtain this information. Copies of the information requests are enclosed.

NUMBER	This property involves:
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extensive loss of historic fabric _____ Substantial alterations over time _____ Preliminary determination of listing _____ for district _____ for individual property _____ Significance less than 50 years old _____ Obscured or covered elevation(s) _____ Moved property _____ State recommendation inconsistent with NR documentation _____ Recommendation different from the applicant's request

NUMBER	Complete item(s) below as appropriate.
2	<p>(1) The documentation on file with the National Register cites the period(s) of significance of this historic district as <u>19<sup>TH</sup> &amp; EARLY 20<sup>TH</sup></u></p> <p>(2) The property <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> contributes _____ does not contribute to the historic significance of this registered historic district in: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> location <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> design <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> setting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> materials <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> workmanship <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> feeling _____ association _____ Property is mentioned in the NR or State or local district documentation in Section _____, page _____.</p> <p>(3) For properties less than 50 years old: _____ the historical merits of the district (the periods and areas of significance) are documented in the National Register form or district documentation on file as less than 50 years old, justifying the certification of this property's contribution. _____ the exceptional historical or architectural significance of this property as described in the National Register form or district documentation on file justifies its certification as contributing. _____ there is insufficient justification to consider this property as contributing to the district for its individual exceptional architectural or historical significance or the significance of the district does not extend to the last 50 years.</p> <p>(4) For preliminary determinations: A. The status of the nomination for the property/historic district: _____ Nomination has already been submitted to State review board, and nomination will be forwarded to the NPS within _____ months. (Draft nomination is enclosed.) _____ Nomination was submitted to the NPS on _____. _____ Nomination will be submitted to the State review board within twelve months. _____ Nomination process likely will be completed within thirty months. _____ Other, explain: _____</p> <p>B. Evaluation of the property: _____ Property is individually eligible and meets National Register Criteria for Evaluation _____ Property is located within a potential registered district that meets National Register Criteria for Evaluation: _____ A _____ B _____ C _____ D Criteria Considerations: _____ A _____ B _____ C _____ D _____ E _____ F _____ G</p> <p>(5) The property is located in a registered district, is outside the period(s) or area(s) of significance as documented in the NR form and: _____ appears to contribute to the expanded significance of the district. Enclosed is the revised nomination documentation. _____ does not appear to contribute to the period(s) or area(s) of significance of the district.</p>

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Describe and evaluate the physical characteristics of the property, its integrity, and its significance within the context of the historic district (or individually for preliminary determinations of individual listings).

BUILT CIRCA 1910, THIS STRUCTURE REFLECTS THE BEAUX ARTS STYLE THAT IS TYPICAL OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS IN THE MT. VERNON DISTRICT. A RECENT FIRE HAS CAUSED SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE TO THE ROOF AND INTERIOR ALTHOUGH THE PRIMARY FACADES, FOR THE MOST PART, REMAIN INTACT.

IN SPITE OF THE SEVERE FIRE DAMAGE, THIS OFFICE BELIEVES THAT THIS STRUCTURE CONTINUES TO BE OF SIGNIFICANCE TO THE MT. VERNON DISTRICT.

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State Official Recommendation:

- This application for the above-named property has been reviewed by MICHAEL DAY, a professionally qualified architect, architectural historian, or historian on my staff.
- ☒ The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
- ☐ The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
- ☐ The property does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
- ☐ The property appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be nominated.
- ☐ The property does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will not be nominated.
- ☐ The property appears to contribute to the significance of a:
- ☐ potential historic district which appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be nominated.
- ☐ registered historic district but is outside the period(s) or areas of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS. Revised nomination or district documentation is enclosed.
- ☐ The property should be denied a preliminary determination that it could qualify as a certified historic structure.
- ☐ Insufficient documentation has been provided to evaluate the structure.

☐ Detailed NPS review recommended ☐ Precedent-setting case ☐ Forwarded without recommendation

Date

11-10-87

State Official Signature



☐ See attachments:

NPS Comments:

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION  
PART 1 — EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

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NRIS No:

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Project No:

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Type or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheets.

1. Name of property: 1001 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland  
Address of property: Street 1001 Cathedral Street  
City Baltimore County City State Maryland Zip 21201  
Name of historic district: Mt. Vernon/Belvedere  
☐ National Register district ☒ certified state or local district ☐ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- ☒ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.  
☐ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.  
☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.  
☐ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.  
☐ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.  
☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Project contact:

Name Walter G. Schamu - Schamu, Machowski, Doo & Associates, Architects  
Street 107 E. Preston Street City Baltimore  
State Maryland Zip 21202 Daytime Telephone Number (301) 685-3582

4. Owner:

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the property described above. I understand that falsification of factual representations in this application is subject to criminal sanctions of up to \$10,000 in fines or imprisonment for up to five years pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Name George W. Helfrich Signature George W. Helfrich Date 10-12-87  
Organization G. W. Helfrich, Inc.  
Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number 215-30-8126  
Street 2516 Maryland Avenue City Baltimore  
State Maryland Zip 21218 Daytime Telephone Number (301) 366-1200

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application — Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.  
☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.  
☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.  
☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.  
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.  
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.  
☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

Date

National Park Service Authorized Signature

National Park Service Office/Telephone No:

HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
CERTIFICATION APPLICATION—  
PART 1

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1001 Cathedral St.  
Property Name Baltimore, Md.

Project Number:

1001 Cathedral Street - Baltimore, Md.  
P. Address

5. Description of physical appearance: The building at 1001 Cathedral Street in Baltimore is a three-story structure with limestone and terracotta exterior cladding on a masonry and steel frame. Three clearly divided bays front on Cathedral Street including a centrally located main entrance. Six bays front Eager Street with entrances toward the center of the block. Ornamental terracotta panels at the second and third levels have a limestone or glazed finish. The cornice above the third level is pressed metal on a back-up of wood blocking. Industrial steel sash with ventilating panels existed at the second and third level window openings. At the second level, steel sash topped wood spandrel panels, fronted by ornamental metal grillework. The first level, currently infilled with wood panels, was continuous plate glass windows below with vertically divided wood and glass spandrals above. A granite base runs continuously below limestone-faced columns. The roof, before significant fire damage 1½ years ago, was made up of sloped wood trusses with glazed clay tile roofing. Interior structure consists of built-up steel beams spanned by wood joists and a wood deck. Original interior detailing was removed by users in the years prior to fire gutting the second and third levels. The ground floor, though not significantly damaged by the fire, also has little remaining interior detailing original to the building.

Date of Construction: +/- 1900-1910 Source of Date: Owner/C.H.A.P.

Date(s) of Alteration(s): LAST KNOWN RENOVATION-1978

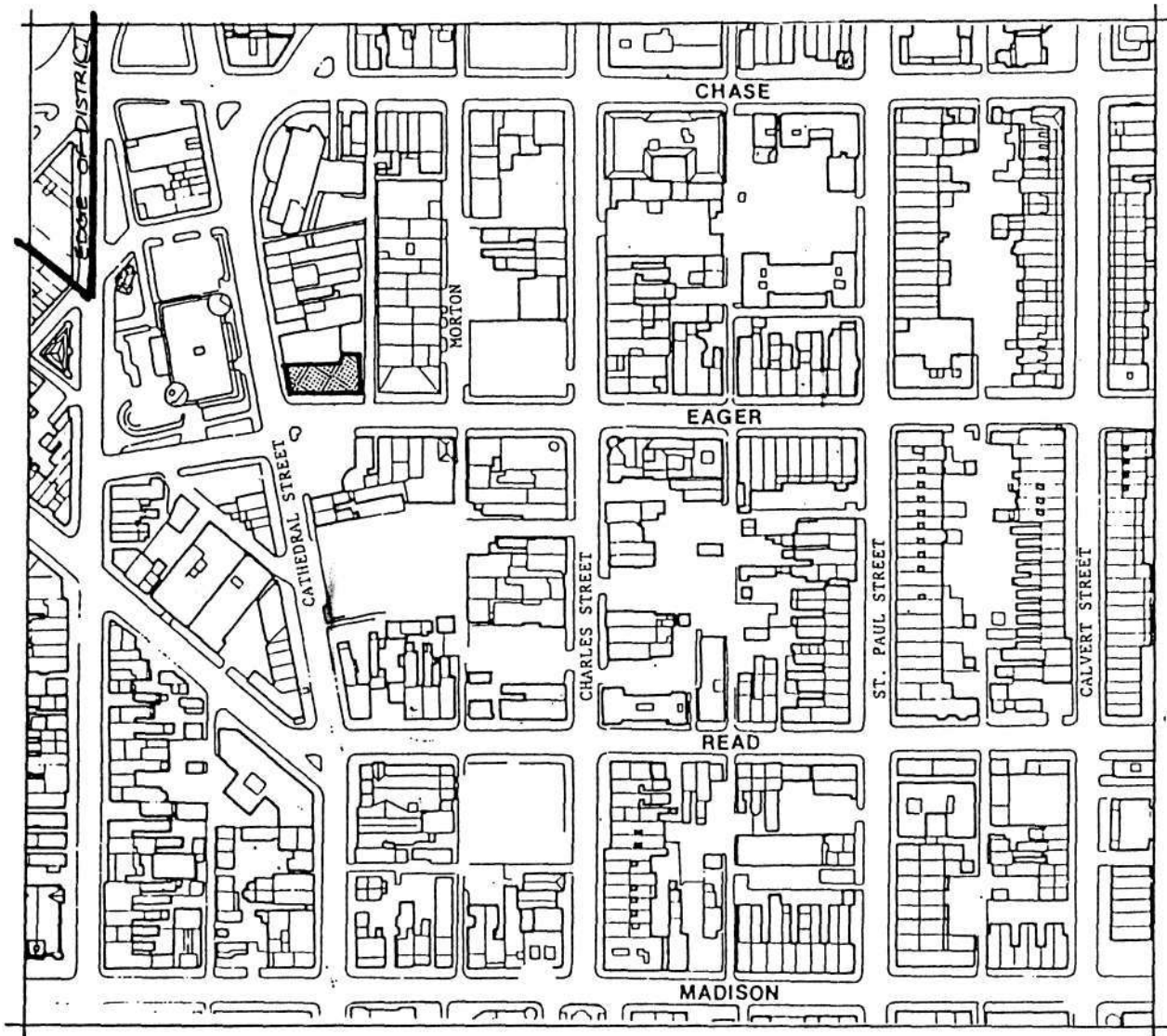
Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when?

6. Statement of significance: The building at 1001 Cathedral Street in Baltimore is significant as an early twentieth century example of commercial architecture, in this case, originally thought to be an automobile dealership. The firm of Smith and May, local Baltimore commercial/residential architects, designed the structure in the first decade of the twentieth century. The building is significant for its rather flat limestone and terracotta ornament on a steel and masonry frame. Large expanses of industrial sash on the second and third levels topped large plate glass windows at the first level, allowing views of the early motor cars inside. Glazed designs in the limestone-finished terracotta at the third level reflect the interest in organic ornament found in other early twentieth-century architecture. A pressed metal cornice at the top of the building completes a facade which also seems to make illusions to the architecture of Italian palazzos. In scale, texture and location, 1001 Cathedral is an important building in contributing to the character of the local Mount Vernon-Belvedere Historic District.

7. Photographs and maps.

ch photographs and maps to application.

Continuation sheets attached: ☐ yes ☒ no

LOCATION MAPHistoric Preservation Certification Application  
Part 1 - Evaluation of Significance1001 Cathedral Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Mount Vernon-Belvedere Historic District



# EASEMENT

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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

### NOMINATION FORM

for the

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS

<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON:				
1001-1009 Cathedral Street				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
1001-1009 Cathedral Street				
CITY OR TOWN:				
Baltimore				
STATE:		COUNTY:		
Maryland				
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify):		<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME:				
William H. Bittorf				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
8 east Pleasant Street				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		
Baltimore		Maryland		21202
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:				
Records Office, Room 601				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
Baltimore City Courthouse				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		
Baltimore		Maryland		21202
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): MLP 7086-215				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
City of Baltimore Neighborhood Survey				
DATE OF SURVEY: 1975				
<input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
Room 900, 26 S. Calvert St.				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		
Baltimore		Maryland		21202

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This Mansard-roofed Building in stone and glass, located at the corner of Cathedral and Eager Streets, is three stories high; its Cathedral Street width is three bays, its Eager Street width five bays.

Two story stone Corinthian pilasters extend upward from the corners and between the bays. On Cathedral Street facade, the ground floor end bays house triple single light windows with tripartite transoms, framed by flat cement lintels above and by the pilasters to the sides. The center bay contains a triple door with double transom and thin, fixed pane, side lights, all under a tripartite transom similar to those of the end bays.

The second floor bays are each spanned by a multi-lighted window given a tripartite cadence by two heavy vertical mullions. An intricate iron rail spans each of the bays, interrupted only by the pilasters.

The entablature separating the second and third floors features a smooth frieze punctuated by blank cartouches above each pilasters. Six multi-lighted windows, each separated by embellished Ionic pilasters, fill the proportioned third story from the entablature to the bracketed stone cornice.

The Eager Street facade is similar, with the doors in the fourth bay. Each bay is similar to its Cathedral Street counterpart, with the exception of the ground floor windows, which are single light picture windows topped by the familiar tripartite transom.

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE****PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

- ☐ Pre-Columbian      ☐ 16th Century      ☐ 18th Century      ☒ 20th Century  
☐ 15th Century      ☐ 17th Century      ☐ 19th Century

**SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)****AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

- |   |                                       |   |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal     | <input type="checkbox"/> Education    | <input type="checkbox"/> Political      | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric    | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering  | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic       | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry     | losophy                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture   | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art            | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce       | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature   | itarian                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military     | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music        | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

This massive structure dates from the second decade of the 20th century. Styled approximately after a Roman Baroque Palazzo, it is a contrastive complement to its older, like-sized neighbor at 1000-1002 Morton Street. (See 1000-1002 Morton Street)

When built, this structure served as one of Baltimore's earliest automobile showrooms. Elevators capable of transporting autos and abundant picture windows were necessary features of this type of building. In addition to these grand elements, however, there is an elegance to the building that mirrors as closely as the automobiles themselves the spirit of the early days of the auto, when motoring was more of an elegant, exciting sport than a commuter's headache. The intricate rails, cartouches and terra cotta panels are reminders of this past era, particularly when contrasted with the sterile showrooms of today.

Appropriately, the State Highway Association is presently housed in this building.

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

87' x 112' x 107'6" x 133'8"

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## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: <b>Paul Sussman, Planning Assistant</b>		
ORGANIZATION <b>Commission for Hist. and Arch. Pres.</b>	DATE <b>10/75</b>	
STREET AND NUMBER: <b>Room 900, 26 S. Calvert St.</b>		
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Baltimore</b>	STATE <b>Maryland</b>	<b>21202</b>

## 12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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AVE

W. CHASE

66'

ST.

MARYLAND

ALLEY

ST.

ST.

ST.

66'

CATHEDRAL

DEAD

MORTON

N. CHARLES

W. EAGER

66'

ST.

SUB PLAN  
SCALE: 1"=40' 0"

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TRACED BY DON R. GRIFFIN  
SETTER BY D. R. G.

THE CITY OF BALTIMORE  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
PROPERTY LOCATION DIVISION  
WARD II SECTION 2  
BLOCK 505  
SCALE: 1"=40' 0" DATE: JANUARY-1967

NOTICE

THIS IS A REAL PROPERTY PLAT AS PROVIDED  
FOR UNDER ARTICLE 70(b) OF THE CITY CHARTER.  
IT IS COMPILED FROM TITLE AND OTHER  
SOURCES AND IS NOT AN AUTHENTIC SURVEY.

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GIS data Courtesy of  
the City of Baltimore, MOIT/EGIS





1001 - ~~1009~~ Cathedral <sup>B-1744</sup>  
Corner of W. Eager & Cathedral

Neg 3-3A

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